

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application. Claims 1, 8, 10, 12-14 and 18-20 have been amended. Claims 1-22 are pending.

Applicants' attorney had a phone interview with the Examiner on May 1, 2006. The cited Hinson reference, the invention, and the claims were discussed. The Applicants' attorney and the Examiner came to an agreement as to what was not disclosed in Hinson. Possible amendments that may put the application in condition for allowance were discussed.

Claims 1-22 are currently rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by US Patent No. 6,144,391 to Hinson et al. (hereinafter "Hinson").

Claim 1, as amended, recites a method that includes presenting a view of the video stream currently being captured by a video capturing device to a user and contemporaneously presenting one or more images previously captured by the video capturing device to the user. Claim 10, as amended, recites presenting a folder to a user and in response to the user selecting the folder, displaying an icon representing a video capturing device and in response to the user selecting the video capturing device icon, displaying a preview of the video stream currently being captured by the video capturing device along with the one or more images that were previously captured using the video capturing device. Claim 14, as amended, recites rendering a view of the video stream currently being captured by a video capturing device together with the one or more previously captured images on the display.

Hinson discloses an electronic video store including storing means for storing digital data representing multiple video frames and access means for providing random

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access input and output of video frames to and from the storing means. Hinson's system enables the retrieval of two clips from the video store and the simultaneously display of the two clips retrieved from the video store in an environment for editing. As discussed in the Examiner Interview, Hinson does not disclose presenting a view of a video stream currently being captured by a video capturing device while contemporaneously presenting one or more images previously captured by the video capturing device.

The Office Action states that the video stream in Hinson may be currently captured as well and then compared. However, Hinson does not disclose or suggest presenting a view of the video stream currently being captured by a video capturing device. In Hinson, the video clips that are captured are first stored in the video store. Then, the clips are retrieved from the video store before they are displayed for editing. Therefore, the clips that are being displayed are previously captured video clips. Hinson does not teach presenting a video stream currently being captured by a video capturing device while contemporaneously presenting one or more images that were previously captured by the video capturing device. These limitations are recited in claims 1, 10, and 14. Therefore, as discussed in the Examiner Interview, Hinson does not anticipate claims 1, 10, and 14.

Claims 2-9, 11-13, and 15-22 are dependent claims and therefore include all the limitations of their independent base claim in addition to adding further limitations of their own. Therefore, Applicants submit that claims 2-9, 11-13, and 15-22 are not anticipated by Hinson for at least the same reasons as stated above with regard to claims 1, 10, and 14.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendment and remarks, Applicants submit that the claims are patentably distinct over the prior art and that all the rejections to the claims have been overcome. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the pending claims be allowed, and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes, after this amendment, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.


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